

**REMARKS/ARGUMENTS**

Favorable reconsideration of this application as presently amended and in light of the following discussion is respectfully requested.

Claims 1-4, 6-15 and 17-22 are pending in the present application; claims 1-3, 6, 8-15, 17 and 18 have been amended; claims 5 and 16 have been canceled; and claims 19-22 have been added by the present amendment.

In the outstanding Office Action, claims 1, 3, 8, 9 and 11-14 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 102(e) as anticipated by Kim; claims 2, 4, 7 and 15-18 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as unpatentable over Kim in view of Quick Jr.; claim 10 was rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as unpatentable over Kim in view of Halvorson; and claims 5 and 6 were indicated as allowable if rewritten in independent form.

Applicants thank the Examiner for the indication of allowable subject matter. In light of this indication, claim 1 has been amended to include only subject matter similar to that recited in claim 5 and dependent claim 6 has been rewritten in independent form. It is respectfully submitted independent claims 1 and 6 are still allowable even though they do not include the subject matter recited in dependent claim 2 (which claims 5 and 6 depend on). In particular, it is respectfully submitted the applied art does not teach or suggest that for a first divided text message among the divided text messages, the connection information is inserted into only an end portion of the first divided text message (the subject matter recited

in claim 5) or for a last divided text message among the divided text messages, the connection information is inserted into only a start portion of the last divided message (the subject matter recited in claim 6). The primary reference Kim only teaches generating a header including a long message ID and sequence information (see step 218 in Figure 2). Kim does not teach or suggest the features recited in claims 5 and 6 discussed above.

Independent claims 11 and 13 include similar features of claims 1 and 6 in a varying scope. Accordingly, it is respectfully submitted independent claims 1, 6, 11 and 13 and each of the claims depending therefrom are allowable.

In addition, new claims 19-22 have been added to set forth the invention in a varying scope and Applicants submit the new claims are supported by the originally filed specification. For example, independent claim 19 recites that the short message communication method includes segmenting a message that is longer than a predetermined length into a plurality of divided messages and inserting an end connection code at an end of a respective divided message to indicate an end of the respective divided message and that another divided message follows the respective divided message. These features are shown in Figure 2B, for example, in which the end connection codes x1, x2 and x3 each indicate an end of the divided blocks 1, 2 and 3, respectively. Further, as shown, the connection code x1 indicates that another divided message (i.e., block 2) follows the block 1. End connection codes x2 and x3 also indicate another block follows them.

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As discussed above, Kim merely teaches generating a header including a long message ID and sequence information. It is respectfully submitted Kim and the other secondary references do not teach or suggest the features recited in claim 19. Accordingly, it is respectfully submitted independent claim 19 and each of the claims depending therefrom are also allowable.

Further, the specification and title have been amended to correct minor spelling errors. No new matter has been added.

### **CONCLUSION**

In view of the foregoing amendments and remarks, it is respectfully submitted that the application is in condition for allowance. Favorable consideration and prompt allowance are earnestly solicited. If the Examiner believes that any additional changes would place the application in better condition for allowance, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned attorney, **David A. Bilodeau**, at the telephone number listed below.

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To the extent necessary, a petition for an extension of time under 37 C.F.R. 1.136 is hereby made. Please charge any shortage in fees due in connection with the filing of this, concurrent and future replies, including extension of time fees, to Deposit Account 16-0607 and please credit any excess fees to such deposit account.

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